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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, and in response to the non-final Office Action mailed February 9, 2006, Applicants request entry of the amendment, reconsideration on the merits, and allowance of the claims. This response is accompanied by a petition requesting a one-month extension of time, extending the period for reply from May 9, 2006 to June 9, 2006, and by the appropriate fee.

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